

fully Officered but here I am
transferred & doing full duty
so I am all right I think
there are a good many crooks
about War matters & Army Regu-
lations. My Promotion dates from
the 27th Jan on the Ranks I
haven't got my Commission yet
nor don't know when I'll get it
but hope before long I presume
I will have to stay with this
Company for good I was sayin'
my last night I had written
to you to direct to Company
G & the Lieut. said he woud if
he were me I told him the
reason I hadn't before or at first
was I didn't know whether I
was to be here permanently
or not he said he hoped so
& so did the Co I told him I
was satisfied and was still
more so seeing it was his
wish & the Company now I am
getting acquainted I like the

Bapt well & they all seem to
me I carry on with them when
they are in camp but when we
are drilling then I make them
come to time. I told one fellow
this morning to clean up around
his Tent he says well and when
I come to go to take charge of
the company I found he hadn't
touched it. I spoke about it to
him & he began to rattle talk
as though he would do as he
was a mind to. I told him to
hold on & another time when
I told him to do a thing I
wanted it done he didn't hard-
ly know how to take me but
he buttressed his life I had been
told he was a kind of a blow
hard so I guess I spoke pretty
plain when we are outside
of orders then I will be one
amongst the Bapt but when

I say do a thing & am in
command then come to time
one of the Boys spoke to me yes
terday & said when any of the
Sergt's called the Roll the
Boys would carry on so they
couldn't tell whether the Boys
were there or not some one
would answer at ever name I
told him to say nothing but I
would attend Roll call this ~~mor~~
~~mon~~ Evening which I did &
they commened I commanded
attention & I tele you Miss wife
they were whist as nice a man
can be strict & still keep the
good will of the Boys the
Boys that I have spoken to
are as good Friends as any
of them they find out that they
can't do just as they are a mind
to & they will be the best boys
we have the Old Cap was a
man that the company hated

So the Boys did as they were a
mind it but they like the 1st
Lieut & I think they do me &
we will make a good company
of them yet give us time.

I like the Lieutenants well we
have considerable sport the
one that is going to Resign if
he can is full of dry jokes he
spoke to night as he went to Bed
(both Lieuts are bed) I expect I
will dream of them D-md 8ssd
Hays I saw this mornin he meant
Porpoises he is getting off some
8races all the time to keep a
fillous streaked. I have written
to you this afternoon & Eve and
tomorrow I must write to Uncle
Israel & tell him I have got my
Sword all right I tell you Hattie
I have got a good belt & a good
Sword my sword is plain but a
good strong one just what I
sent for I told Uncle Israel to
get me a good substantial one
I didn't care for anythi fancy
you write you didn't get any
cloth for Shirts I am glad you
didn't at 6/- per yard for I can